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# **IL 71 RESISTORS'**

## **EXHIBIT 3.7**

**RESOLUTION NO. 83-2007**

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED PRIMARY AMEREN TRANSMISSION  
LINES AND SUPPORTING CERTAIN ALTERNATIVES THERETO**

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**WHEREAS**, Illinois Power Company, d/b/a Ameren IP (hereinafter "Ameren") has initiated proceedings before the Illinois Commerce Commission seeking a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct, operate and maintain new 138,000 volt electric lines in LaSalle County, Illinois, and

**WHEREAS**, the new proposed electric lines will pass through portions of the City and areas within the Comprehensive Plan of the City, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed primary route from LaSalle, Illinois will pass through the Trails of Terra Cotta and Shadow Ridge subdivisions, both of which have homes and streets under construction, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed primary route will pass through property recently annexed to the City for development and will be located near proposed residentially zoned property, and the proposed location of said route will cause difficulties not only for residential development but also for industrial and commercial growth, and

**WHEREAS**, the location of transmission poles along Interstate 80 will maximize the number of people who will be exposed to said poles, and

**WHEREAS**, the Council finds that where ever the proposed new lines parallel an existing power pole all sets of wires should be placed on a single row of poles to minimize impact to both the usability of the land and aesthetics, and this should include wires on either side of a roadway, and

**WHEREAS**, the Council finds that no "truss" style towers, even at river crossings, should be utilized, and that poles should be single shaft mono poles to limit the adverse visual impact on the community; said poles should have the wires mounted closely to the poles and not have large cross-bars to support the wires, and

**WHEREAS**, the Council finds that the proposed poles should be placed far enough from the centerline of existing roadways to reserve room for future widening of the public right of way in accordance with the City and County zoning ordinances and the City's Comprehensive Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, several alternate routes have been proposed from LaSalle, Illinois to Wedron, Illinois, all of which alleviate the concerns and objections of the City to the primary route, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed primary route from Wedron, Illinois to Ottawa, Illinois is objectionable for the reasons hereinabove set forth, and

**WHEREAS**, proposed alternate routes from Wedron, Illinois to Ottawa, Illinois have less adverse impact on the City, and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the City does not find the primary (Green) route as proposed by Ameren to be in the best interests of the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OTTAWA, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section One:** The preambles of this Resolution are incorporated herein by reference as the findings and determinations of the Council.

**Section Two:** That the City formally opposes the proposed primary (Green) route of Ameren in the pending Interstate Commerce Commission docket number 06-0706.

**Section Three:** That the City formally supports the "Railnet" route from Wedron to Ottawa and formally opposes the other three proposed routes.

**Section Four:** That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as required by law.

	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Mayor Eschbach	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Commissioner Aussem	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Commissioner Whitney	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Commissioner Baxter	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Commissioner Eichelkraut	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>

**Passed and Approved** this 3rd day of July, 2007.

/s/ Robert M. Eschbach  
**Robert M. Eschbach, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

/s/ Shelly L. Munks  
**Shelly L. Munks, City Clerk**

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